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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

With the Freſheſt ADVICES, FOREIGN and DOMESTICK.

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Advertiſements.

AS I deſign to remove from this Colony as ſoon as I can ſettle my Affairs, I would ſell the following Tracts of Land in *Orange* County, *viz.*——One Thouſand two Hundred and forty five Acres lying on the main Road, 31 Miles above *Frederickſburg*, and 14 Miles below *Orange* Court, well known to be convenient for a Public Houſe, and for which Purpoſe a good Set of new Houſes has been lately built. Another Tract near the ſaid Place, containing 406 Acres, with a ſmall Plantation thereon, on which is a Quantity of Meadow Land to be reclaimed; both Places command a fine Range for Stock, inferior to none in the Colony. A third Tract of 340 Acres, within two Miles of *Orange* Courthouſe, exceedingly valuable for Tobacco, Wheat, or *Indian* Corn. For Terms apply to the Subſcriber, at the Place firſt mentioned.

ROWLAND THOMAS.

FREDERICKSBURG, *March* 15, 1775.

THE Subſcriber having Buſineſs to ſettle in *Annapolis (Maryland)* very ſhortly, gives this Notice to all his Cuſtomers, requeſting them to take away their Work, and thoſe indebted to him to come and ſettle their Accounts, which will greatly oblige their moſt humble Servant,

JOHN LAMPE, WATCHMAKER.

☞ The ſaid *Lampe* has an Aſſortment of JEWELLERY to diſpoſe of for ready Money.

OSCAR

STANDS at my Houſe near *Peterſburg*, and will cover Mares from this Time till the End of the Seaſon, at a Piſtole the ſingle Leap, the Money to be paid down, and three Piſtoles the Seaſon, payable in *October*. He is a Horſe of great Size and Activity, a fine Sorrel, and in high Order.

He was got by young SNIP, his Dam by Lord *Morton*'s ARABIAN, his Grandam by old CRAB, his Great Grandam by the BALD GALLOWAY, his Great Great Grandam by *Darley*'s ARABIAN, out of BAY BOLTON's Dam.

4 JOHN BANISTER.

TO BE SOLD *on the Premiſes, on* TUESDAY *the* 11*th of* APRIL, *to the higheſt Bidders,*

THE exceeding fine PLANTATION and Tract of LAND ſituated on *Fine* Creek, near *James* River, in the County of *Cumberland*, belonging to the Subſcriber, which contains 3214½ Acres, and is ſo well known for its good Qualities, in the Production of Tobacco, Grain, *&c. &c.* as to need no Recommendation. The Inclinations of the Purchaſers will be conſulted in the Diviſion of the Land into Lots, ſhould that be required. There is a Mill on *Fine* Creek, and other neceſſary Buildings on the Premiſes.——The Terms of Payment will be made as eaſy as poſſible. PETER STONER.

TO BE SOLD

To the higheſt Bidder, for ready Caſh, on TUESDAY *the* 18*th of* APRIL, *on the Premiſes, and to be entered upon at* CHRISTMAS,

TWO valuable Tracts of LAND in the lower End of *Orange* County, *viz.* One whereon the Subſcriber now lives, lying on *Pleaſant Run*, joining the Lands of *Edward Herndon* and *James Coleman*, containing 250 Acres, with a Right of Dower of 300 Acres annexed to it. The Improvements are very good, an extraordinary good Dwelling-Houſe 28 by 20, with a good Brick Chimney; a Kitchen 20 by 16, with a Brick Chimney; a new Barn 24 by 24, and a Shed along ſide; a Tobacco Houſe 32 by 20, with a Shed likewiſe, and all other convenient Houſes, too tedious to mention; beſides a good Apple and Peach Orchard, and about 50 or 60 Acres of freſh Land cleared, and a great Deal of good Corn Land, open, and under a good Fence.——Alſo a Tract of 300 Acres joining the aforeſaid, with about 70 or 80 Acres of cleared Land, no Part of which has been cleared longer than four Years, and lies in fine Order for Cropping, with a fine Piece of good low Ground of 15 or 20 Acres, cleared this Winter for a Meadow. It has on it a very good Tobacco Houſe 40 by 20, and a very convenient Place for a Saw or Griſt Mill, and a great Plenty of good Pine Timber.——A more particular Deſcription will be unneceſſary, as it is preſumed that any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe will view the Premiſes; or, if they chooſe it, may purchaſe at private Sale.

FOR SALE likewiſe, on the ſame Day, for ready Money, 7 or 8 very likely young VIRGINIA BORN NEGROES.

REUBEN DANIEL.

FOR SALE, THE HIGH BLOODED HORSE

DOTTEREL.

HE is full 15 Hands 3 Inches high, and remarkable for the Strength and Beauty of his Form, being in every Reſpect worthy of his high Deſcent, which is from the beſt Stock in *England*, as may be ſeen by his Pedigree, in the Hand Writing, and ſigned by Sir *John Pennington*, who bred him. The Gentlemen of the Turf are well acquainted with *Dotterel*'s Performances in *Great Britain*, and that he was eſteemed the ſwifteſt Horſe in *England (Eclipſe* excepted.) He is remarkable ſure for getting Colts, and they are uncommonly beautiful and fit for the Turf or Road. The above-mentioned Pedigree may be ſeen, and the Terms of Sale made known to any Perſon inclined to purchaſe, by applying to the Steward at *Stratford*, the Seat of the late Hon. *Philip Ludwell Lee*, Eſq; in *Weſtmoreland* County.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 1, 1775.

THE *Governors and Viſitors of* William *and* Mary *College are deſired to meet on* Tueſday *the* 18*th Inſtant.*

By Order of the Rector.

M. DAVENPORT, C. V.

TO BE SOLD

At public Sale, for ready Money, on MONDAY *the* 10*th of* APRIL, *at the Courthouſe in* SUFFOLK,

ABOUT five Hundred Pounds Sterling Value of EUROPEAN GOODS, belonging to the Eſtate of Mr. *David Meade*, deceaſed. If any Perſon ſhould incline to purchaſe the Whole, or any Part of them, before the Day of Sale, they may be had at a low Advance, of the Subſcriber, in *Suffolk*.

(1) JOHN DRIVER.

Fifteen Dollars Reward.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, near *Piſcataway*, in *Prince George* County, *Maryland*, a likely Negro Fellow named VALENTINE, 22 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, had on an Oſnabrug Coat, an old Cotton Waiſtcoat without any Sleeves, old Wilton Breeches, Thread Stockings, and a Pair of Shoes, with plain Braſs Buckles. He has a Wife in *Virginia*, belonging to Mr. *George Noble*, who was then at Doctor *George Alexander*'s, in *Fairfax* County, *Virginia*, and the Fellow was ſeen there the ſame Night he went away, which was the 5th of *November* laſt. Whoever ſecures him ſo that his Maſter may get him again ſhall have TEN DOLLARS, and if brought Home, the above Reward. (‖) JAMES HAWKINS.

☞ Mr. *Noble* has lately removed near *Winchester*, where it is ſuppoſed the Fellow is gone.

CAROLINE County, *March* 20, 1775.

THE Subſcriber being ſenſible that many Pieces of bad Work have lately been done in his Shop, occaſioned by the Careleſſneſs of Journeymen, thinks neceſſary to inform the Public that he is determined, for the future, to ſuffer no Work to be carried from his Shop but what ſhall have been done with his own Hands. He has had a Number of Hands employed for ſome Time in getting a Parcel of the beſt Timber in this Part of the Colony. Every Perſon, therefore, who ſhall favour him with their Commands for Riding-Chairs, Harneſs, *&c.* together with my grateful Acknowledgments, may depend on having them executed in ſuch a Manner as ſhall leave them no Room for Complaint.——If any Gentlemen, who have lately had Carriages from the Subſcriber, will ſend them to the Shop for a few Days, any ſmall Repairs ſhall be done gratis, by

Their moſt obedient humble Servant,

1‖ ANTHONY NEW.

HENRICO County, *March* 13, 1775.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, on *Saturday* the 14th of *January* laſt, PETER, a *Virginia* born Negro Man, about 33 Years of Age, of a middle Size, well made, and very active. His Clothing is ſuch as common labouring Negroes generally wear, but very probably may change his Dreſs, as he has many other Clothes which were conveyed, ſome Time before he ran away, to a Plantation belonging to the Eſtate of Col. *Bowler Cocke*, deceaſed, near *Cumberland* Courthouſe, by a Negro Woman whom he has had ſome Years as a Wife, and I expect he is either harboured in that Neighbourhood or in *Lancaſter* or *Northumberland*, where he lived many Years ago. Whoever delivers him to me ſhall receive a Reward of 40s. beſides what the Law allows; but I would adviſe whoever takes him up to ſecure him well, otherwiſe he will make his Eſcape, as he is a very artful cunning Fellow. It is probable he may have procured himſelf a Paſs, and endeavour to paſs for a Freeman. I forewarn all Perſons from harbouring him, or carrying him out of the Colony, at their Peril. (4) JOHN HALES.

STRAYED from the Subſcriber, in *Blandford*, on the 4th Inſtant *(March)* a dark bay Mare, 7 or 8 Years old, about 14 Hands high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, cat-hamm'd, paces naturally, has ſome Saddle Spots on the near Side, and branded WK, or WR, on the near Shoulder and Buttock. Alſo a ſmall ſorrel FILLY went away with her, two Years old this Spring, had a Snip on the right Noſtril, but neither docked nor branded. They were ſeen on *Rowanty*, and are imagined to have gone towards *Walker*'s Mill, on *Nottoway*, or *Hicks*'s Ford, on *Meherrin*.——Whoever will bring the ſaid Mares to me ſhall be handſomely rewarded for their Trouble.

DAVID BLACK.

HANOVER, *March* 22, 1775.

IMPORTED by the Subſcriber, laſt Summer, in the *London*, Capt. *Moſes Robertſon*, from *London*, a CASK marked M in a □ No. 2, containing ſeven Dozen of narrow Hoes, two Dozen of broad Do. and one Dozen of Axes, which has never come to Hand. As the ſaid Ship went up *Rappahannock*, it is probable the Caſk may be landed ſomewhere on that River. I ſhall be much obliged to the Perſon who has received it, to inform me by Letter where it may be had; or, if ſent to Mr. *David Cochran* at *Newcaſtle*, I will very gladly pay the Expenſe.

(‖) WILLIAM MACON.

☞ DIXON & HUNTER have for SALE (Price 2/6) the *Journal of the Proceedings of the Congreſs held at* Philadelphia *the 5th of September*, 1774.

MARCH 4, 1775.

WHEREAS *Parks Smith* hath this Day, on Oath, delivered a Schedule of his Eſtate to *Garland Anderſon* and *Thomas Garland*, Eſquires, Juſtices of the County of *Hanover*, to ſatisfy four Executions, which are due to *Cuninghame* and Co. *John Syme*, *Hogg* and *Rowland*, and one *Fox*, amounting to one Hundred and forty odd Pounds, and in his Schedule has entered a Debt by Bond for 95l. which is due from *George Fulford* of *Newbern*, in *North Carolina*, to the ſaid *Parks Smith*; the Bond we underſtand is in the Hands of Capt. *Francis Smith* of *Hanover* County: We hereby give this public Notice, forewarning the ſaid *George Fulford*, or any other Perſon, from paying any Part of the ſaid Bond to any other than to the Sheriff of the ſaid County. WILLIAM HENDERSON,

for *Cuninghame* and Co.

JOHN SYME.

FOR SALE,

A NEW Brig, Burthen about 115 Tons, now on the Stocks, and ready for launching. Her upper Timbers are altogether of Black Walnut, Cedar, Locuſt, and Mulberry. The Terms of Sale will be made known to any Perſon inclining to purchaſe, by applying to the Steward at *Stratford*, the Seat of the late Hon. *Philip Ludwell Lee*, Eſq; in *Weſtmoreland* County.

TO BE SOLD,

On the 13*th Day of* APRIL *next, at the late Dwelling Plantation of Colonel* BURGESS SMITH, *deceaſed, in* LANCASTER *County,*

TWENTY five choice VIRGINIA BORN SLAVES, conſiſting of Men, Women, and Children, among which is an extraordinary good Blackſmith, who alſo underſtands Boat Building; an elegant new Chariot, and Harneſs for four Horſes, to drive with or without a Box, all the Houſehold and Kitchen Furniture, the Stocks of Cattle, Sheep, and Hogs, ſeveral Horſes, about fifty Barrels of *Indian* Corn, fifty Buſhels of Wheat, and a few Hhds. of Tobacco. Credit till the 10th Day of *May* 1776, giving Bond and approved Security, to bear Intereſt from the Date if not punctually diſcharged. All Perſons having Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate are requeſted to give them in before the Day of Sale, properly authenticated, ſpecifying the Dignity thereof.

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MARCH 17, 1775. PHILIP SMITH, BURGESS BALL, THOMAS B. GRIFFIN, } Admin.

FOR SALE,

BY JOHN & JAMES THOMPSON,

AT THEIR SHOPS IN PETERSBURG,

FOR CASH ONLY,

LINSEED OIL,—Paints of ſundry Colours.
Painters' Bruſhes.
Putty, Gold Leaf, *&c. &c.*
Rhubarb.
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White and Yellow Arſenic.
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Sweet Oil.
Spirits of Turpentine.
Caſtor Oil, *&c. &c.*
Bateman's Drops.
Squire's, *Radcliffe*'s, *Daffy*'s, *Fraunce*'s, and *Boſtock*'s ELIXIRS.
Freeman's and *Godfrey*'s Cordials.
Anderſon's, *Hooper*'s, *Lockyer*'s, and *Chaſe*'s PILLS.
Dr. *Walter*'s Jeſuits Drops.
Dr. *Pike*'s Ointment for the Itch.
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Dr. *Keyſer*'s Pills.
Dr. *Birt*'s excellent Anti-venereal Drops.
Ingredients for Bitters.
Stoughton's - Ditto.
Greenough's Tinctures for the Scurvy and Tooth-Ach.
Balſam of Honey.
Syringes.
Apothecaries Searches, Meaſures, and Weights.
Glaſs Mortars and Funnels.
Logwood, Redwood, Madder, and a few Hatter's Trimmings.
Surveyor's Inſtruments.
Dutch Quills, Black Lead Pencils, *&c. &c.*

(2)

JAMES CITY, *March* 25, 1775.

RUN away from *Hog Iſland*, where he was hired about twelve Months ago, a *Virginia* born Negro Man named JACOB, 23 or 24 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, ſtraight on the Shoulders, his Neck rather long, his Face ſmall, and Cheeks yellow; he ſpeaks quick, and ſtammers a little; his Lips are not thick, but ſeem a little longer than common; he holds his Head high, is a little knock-knee'd, and turns out his Toes. Whoever delivers the ſaid Negro to me, or ſecures him in any Gaol, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have FIVE DOLLARS Reward, and if out of the Colony, TEN DOLLARS.

WILLIAM SPRATLEY

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Bedford* County, laſt Year, a Servant Man named DANIEL CONNOR TEREL AGH; he underſtands playing on the Bagpipes well, had on a new *German* Serge Coat, and took with him a bay Horſe about 4 Feet 5 or 6 Inches high. Whoever brings the ſaid Servant to me, near Mr. *Roſs*'s Store, in the aforeſaid County, ſhall have 10l. Reward, paid by

MILES BARROTT.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 1.

The WHOLE *proceedings of the Convention of Delegates at the town of* RICHMOND, *in the county of* HENRICO:

AT a meeting of Delegates for the counties and corporations in the colony of Virginia, at the town of Richmond, in the county of Henrico, on Monday the 20th of March 1775:

PRESENT,

THE Hon. Peyton Randolph, Esq; a Delegate for the city of Williamsburg: Isaac Smith, Esquire, for Accomack: Thomas Jefferson and John Walker, Esquires, for Albemarle: John Tabb and John Winn, Esquires, for Amelia: William Cabell, jun. and Joseph Cabell, Esquires, for Amherst: Thomas Lewis, Samuel M'Dowell, and John Harvie, Esquires, for Augusta: John Talbot and Charles Lynch, Esquires, for Bedford: Andrew Lewis and John Bowyer, Esquires, for Botetourt: Frederick Maclin and Henry Tazewell, Esquires, for Brunswick: John Nicholas and Anthony Winston, Esquires, for Buckingham: Robert Rutherford and Adam Stevens, Esquires, for Berkeley: Edmund Pendleton and James Taylor, Esquires, for Caroline: Benjamin Harrison and William Acrill, Esquires, for Charles City: Paul Carrington and Isaac Reade, Esquires, for Charlotte: Archibald Cary and Benjamin Watkins, Esquires, for Chesterfield: Henry Pendleton, and Henry Field, jun. Esquires, for Culpeper: William Fleming and John Mayo, Esquires, for Cumberland: John Banister and William Watkins, Esquires, for Dinwiddie: Jonathan Clarke, Esq; and Peter Muhlenburg, Clerk, for Dunmore: Henry King and Worlich Westwood, Esquires, for Elizabeth City: James Edmondson and Meriwether Smith, Esquires, for Essex: George Washington and Charles Broadwater, Esqrs. for Fairfax: Thomas Marshall and James Scott, Esquires, for Fauquier: Isaac Zane, Esq; and Charles Minn Thruston, Clerk, for Frederick: William Christian, Esq; for Fincastle: Thomas Whiting and Lewis Burwell, Esquires, for Gloucester: John Woodson and Thomas Mann Randolph, Esquires, for Goochland: Nathaniel Terry and Micajah Watkins, Esquires, for Halifax: James Mercer, Esq; for Hampshire: Patrick Henry, jun. and John Syme, Esquires, for Hanover: Richard Adams and Samuel Du Val, Esquires, for Henrico: Robert Carter Nicholas and William Norvel, Esquires, for James City: John S. Wills and Josiah Parker, Esquires, for Isle of Wight: Joseph Jones and William Fitzhugh, Esquires, for King George: George Brooke and George Lyne, Esquires, for King & Queen: Carter Braxton and William Aylett, Esquires, for King William: James Selden and Charles Carter, Esquires, for Lancaster: Francis Peyton and Josiah Clapham, Esquires, for Loudoun: Thomas Johnson and Thomas Walker, Esquires, for Louisa: Richard Claiborne and David Garland, Esquires, for Lunenburg: Edmund Berkeley, Esq; for Middlesex: Robert Burton and Bennet Goode, Esquires, for Mecklenburg: Lemuel Riddick and Willis Riddick, Esquires, for Nansemond: Burwell Bassett and Bartholomew Dandridge, Esqrs. for New Kent: Thomas Newton, jun. and James Holt, Esquires, for Norfolk county: John Burton, Esq; for Northampton: Rodham Kenner and Thomas Jones, Esquires, for Northumberland: Thomas Barbour and James Taylor, Esquires, for Orange: Peter Perkins and Benjamin Lankford, Esquires, for Pittsylvania: Robert Lawson and John Nash, Esquires, for Prince Edward: Richard Bland and Peter Poythress, Esquires, for Prince George: William Robinson and Christopher Wright, Esquires, for Princess Anne: Henry Lee and Thomas Blackburn, Esquires, for Prince William: Robert Wormeley Carter and Francis Lightfoot Lee, Esquires, for Richmond: Edwin Gray and Henry Taylor, Esquires, for Southampton: George Stubblefield, and Mann Page, jun. Esquires, for Spotsylvania: John Alexander and Charles Carter, Esquires, for Stafford: Allen Cocke, and Nicholas Faulcon, jun. Esquires, for Surry: David Mason and Henry Gee, Esquires, for Sussex: William Langhorne, Esq; for Warwick: Richard Henry Lee and Richard Lee, Esquires, for Westmoreland: Dudley Digges, and Thomas Nelson, jun. Esquires, for York: Champion Travis, Esq; for Jamestown: Joseph Hutchings, Esq; for Norfolk Borough.

The Honourable Peyton Randolph, Esquire, was unanimously elected President of this Convention, and Mr. John Tazewell Clerk thereof.

The President then recommended it to the Convention to proceed in the deliberation and discussion of the several important matters which should come before them, with that prudence, decency, and order, which had distinguished their conduct on all former occasions; and laid before the Convention the proceedings of the Continental Congress, together with a letter from Benjamin Franklin, William Bollan, and Arthur Lee, Esquires, advising that the petition to his Majesty had been presented and graciously received.

Ordered, that the consideration of the proceedings of the Continental Congress be postponed till to-morrow.

Resolved, that the Rev. Mr. Selden be desired to read prayers to this Convention every morning at nine o'clock.

Resolved, that this Convention will observe in their debates the same rules and orders as are established in the House of Burgesses in this colony.

Adjourned till to-morrow ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 1775.

A letter from the inhabitants of that part of Augusta county which lies to the westward of the Allegany mountain, desiring that John Nevill and John Harvie, Esquires, may be admitted into this Convention, as their Delegates, being read; upon a motion,

Resolved, that the said John Nevill and John Harvie be admitted as Delegates for the county of Augusta.

The Convention then took into their consideration the proceedings of the Continental Congress, agreeable to the order of yesterday; but not having time to go through the same, postponed the further consideration thereof till to-morrow.

Adjourned till to-morrow ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1775.

The Convention then, pursuant to the order of yesterday, resumed the consideration of the proceedings of the Continental Congress, and after the maturest deliberation, came to the following resolutions:

Resolved unanimously, that this Convention doth entirely and cordially approve the proceedings and resolutions of the American Continental Congress, and that they consider this whole continent as under the highest obligations to that very respectable body, for the wisdom of their counsels, and their unremitted endeavours to maintain and preserve inviolate the just rights and liberties of his Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects in America.

Resolved unanimously, that the warmest thanks of this Convention, and all the inhabitants of this colony, whom they represent, are particularly due, and that this just tribute of applause be presented to the Honourable Peyton Randolph, Esq; Richard Henry Lee, George Washington, Patrick Henry, jun. Richard Bland, Benjamin Harrison, and Edmund Pendleton, Esquires, the worthy Delegates deputed by a former Convention to represent this colony in General Congress, for their cheerful undertaking, and faithful discharge of the very important trust reposed in them.

Adjourned till to-morrow ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1775.

A copy of the petition and memorial of the Assembly of Jamaica to the King's most excellent Majesty was laid before the Convention, and being read, and maturely considered:

Resolved, that the unfeigned thanks and most grateful acknowledgments of this Convention be presented to that very respectable Assembly, for the exceeding generous and affectionate part they have so nobly taken in the unhappy contest between Great Britain and her colonies, and for their truly patriotic endeavours to fix the just claims of the colonists upon the most permanent constitutional principles.

That the Assembly be assured that it is the most ardent wish of this colony (and we are persuaded of the whole continent of North America) to see a speedy return of those halcyon days, when we lived a free and happy people.

Resolved, that the President be desired to transmit these resolutions to the Speaker of the Jamaica Assembly by the earliest opportunity.

Resolved, that a well regulated militia, composed of Gentlemen and Yeomen, is the natural strength and only security of a free government; that such a militia in this colony would forever render it unnecessary for the mother country to keep among us, for the purpose of our defence, any standing army of mercenary forces, always subversive of the quiet, and dangerous to the liberties of the people, and would obviate the pretext of taxing us for their support.

That the establishment of such a militia is at this time peculiarly necessary, by the state of our laws for the protection and defence of the country, some of which are already expired, and others will shortly do so; and that the known remissness of Government in calling us together in legislative capacity renders it too insecure, in this time of danger and distress, to rely, that opportunity will be given of renewing them in General Assembly, or making any provision to secure our inestimable rights and liberties from those further violations with which they are threatened.

Resolved, therefore, that this colony be immediately put into a posture of defence; and that Patrick Henry, Richard Henry Lee, Robert Carter Nicholas, Benjamin Harrison, Lemuel Riddick, George Washington, Adam Stevens, Andrew Lewis, William Christian, Edmund Pendleton, Thomas Jefferson, and Isaac Zane, Esquires, be a committee to prepare a plan for the embodying, arming, and disciplining such a number of men as may be sufficient for that purpose.

Adjourned till to-morrow ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1775.

The committee appointed for that purpose reported a plan for embodying, arming, and disciplining the militia of this colony, the consideration whereof is postponed till to-morrow.

Certain paragraphs in the public papers, said to be votes of the House of Representatives of New York, being read:

The Convention taking into their consideration that the said province of New York did, by their Delegates in General Congress, solemnly accede to the compact of association there formed for the preservation of American rights: That a defection from such their compact would be a perfidy too atrocious to be charged on a sister colony, but, on the most authentic information, and also doubting, whether, from some radical defect in the constitution of that government, the sense of their House of Representatives, on questions of this nature, should be considered as the sense of the people in general, came to the following resolutions:

Resolved, that it be an instruction to the committee of correspondence for this colony, that they procure authentic information from the committee of correspondence in the province of New York, or otherwise, whether their House of Representatives, by any vote or votes whatsoever, have deserted the union with the other American colonies formed in General Congress for the preservation of their just rights; whether the other colonies are to consider such vote or votes as declaring truly the sense of the people of their province in general, and as forming a rule for their future conduct; and if they are not to be so considered, that then they inform us by their names, and other sufficient descriptions of the individuals who may have concurred in such vote or votes, and that the said committee lay such their information before the next Convention or Assembly.

Resolved unanimously, that the committees of the several counties and corporations in this colony do exert themselves in procuring and continuing contributions for supplying the necessities, and alleviating the distresses of our brave and worthy fellow subjects of Boston, now suffering in the common cause of American freedom; in such manner, and so long as their occasions may require.

Resolved unanimously, in compliance with the recommendation of the late Continental Congress, that Delegates ought to be appointed to represent this colony at the approaching Congress to be held in the City of Philadelphia the 10th day of May next.

Resolved, that the Delegates from this colony do consist of seven members, and that they be chosen by ballot.

Adjourned till to-morrow ten o'clock.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1775.

Resolved, as the opinion of this Convention, that on account of the unhappy disputes between Great Britain and the colonies, and the unsettled state of this country, the Lawyers, Suitors, and Witnesses, ought not to attend the prosecution or defence of civil suits at the next General Court: And it is recommended to the several courts of justice not to proceed to the hearing or determination of suits on their dockets, except attachments; not to give judgments but in the case of sheriffs or other collectors of money or tobacco received by them, in other cases where such judgment shall be voluntarily confessed, or upon such amicable proceedings as may become necessary for the settlement, division, or distribution of estates: And during the suspension of the administration of justice, it is earnestly recommended to the people to observe a peaceable and orderly behaviour; to all creditors to be as indulgent to their debtors as may be; and to all debtors to pay as far as they are able; and where differences may arise which cannot be adjusted between the parties, that they refer the decision thereof to judicious neighbours, and abide by their determination.

The Convention then took into their consideration, according to the order of yesterday, the plan for embodying, arming, and disciplining the militia; which being read and amended, was unanimously agreed to as follows:

The committee propose that it be strongly recommended to the colony, diligently to put in execution the militia law passed in the year 1738, entitled, "An act for the better regulating of the militia," which has become in force by the expiration of all subsequent militia laws.

The committee are further of opinion, that as, from the expiration of the above-mentioned latter laws, and various other causes, the legal and necessary disciplining the militia has been much neglected, and a proper provision of arms and ammunition has not been made, to the evident danger of the community in case of invasion or insurrection; that it be recommended to the inhabitants of the several counties of this colony, that they form one or more volunteer companies of infantry and troops of horse in each county, and to be in constant training and readiness to act on any emergency.

That it be recommended, particularly to the counties of Brunswick, Dinwiddie, Chesterfield, Henrico, Hanover, Spotsylvania, King George, and Stafford, and to all counties below these, that, out of such their volunteers, they form each of them one or more troops of horse; and to all the counties above these, it is recommended that they pay a more particular attention to the forming a good infantry.

That each company of infantry consist of sixty eight rank and file, to be commanded by one Captain, two Lieutenants, one Ensign, four Sergeants, and four Corporals; and that they have a Drummer, and be furnished with a drum and colours: That every man be provided with a good rifle, if to be had, or otherwise, with a common firelock, bayonet, and cartouch box, and also with a tomahawk, one pound of gunpowder, and four pounds of ball at least, fitted to the bore of his gun; that he be clothed in a hunting shirt, by way of uniform; and that all endeavour, as soon as possible, to become acquainted with the military exercise for infantry appointed to be used by his Majesty in the year 1764.

That each troop of horse consist of thirty, exclusive of officers; that every horseman be provided with a good horse, bridle, saddle, with pistols and holsters, a carbine, or other short firelock, with a bucket, a cutting sword, or tomahawk, one pound of gunpowder, and four pounds of ball, at the least, and use the utmost diligence in training and accustoming his horse to stand the discharge of fire arms, and in making himself acquainted with the military exercise for cavalry.

That, in order to make a further and more ample provision of ammunition, it be recommended to the committees of the several counties, that they collect from their constituents, in such manner as shall be most agreeable to them, so much money as will be sufficient to purchase half a pound of gunpowder, one pound of lead, necessary flints and cartridge paper for every tithable person in their county; that they immediately take effectual measures for the procuring such gunpowder, lead, flints, and cartridge paper, and dispose thereof, when procured, in such place or places of safety as they may think best: And it is earnestly recommended to each individual to pay such proportion of the money necessary for these purposes as by the respective committees shall be judged requisite.

That as it may happen that some counties, from their situation, may not be apprized of the most certain and speedy method of procuring the articles before-mentioned, one general committee should be appointed, whose business it should be to procure, for such counties as may make application to them, such articles, and so much thereof as the monies wherewith they shall furnish the said committee will purchase, after deducting the charges of transportation, and other necessary expenses.

Resolved, that Robert Carter Nicholas, Thomas Nelson, and Thomas Whiting, Esquires, or any two of them, be a committee for the purpose afore-mentioned.

Resolved unanimously, that the most cordial thanks of the people of this colony are a tribute justly due to our worthy Governor, Lord Dunmore, for his truly noble, wise, and spirited conduct, on the late expedition against our Indian enemy:——a conduct which at once evinces his Excellency's attention to the true interests of this colony, and a zeal in the executive department, which no dangers can divert, or difficulties hinder, from atchieving the most important services to the people who have the happiness to live under his administration.

Resolved unanimously, that the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Gentlemen officers and soldiers who lately so nobly defended this colony from the savage enemy on our frontiers, and by their bravery, not only procured success to our arms, but must have convinced the enemy it will be their true interest to preserve the peace on the terms stipulated by his Excellency Lord Dunmore. That we sincerely condole with the relations and acquaintance of those brave men, who so nobly fell in battle on that mournful event, and assure all who have rendered such important services to this colony, that, so soon as opportunity permits, we will most cheerfully do every thing on our part to make them ample satisfaction.

Resolved, that Robert Carter Nicholas, Richard Bland, James Mercer, Edmund Pendleton, Archibald Cary, Charles Carter of Stafford, Benjamin Harrison, Richard Henry Lee, Josias Clapham, George Washington, Patrick Henry, James Holt, and Thomas Newton, Esquires, be a committee to prepare a plan for the encouragement of arts and manufactures in this colony.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of Delegates by ballot, to represent this colony in General Congress, to be held at the city of Philadelphia, on the 10th day of May next; when the Hon. Peyton Randolph, Esq; George Washington, Patrick Henry, Richard Henry Lee, Edmund Pendleton, Benjamin Harrison, and Richard Bland, Esquires, were chosen for that purpose.

Resolved, that Robert Carter Nicholas, Esq; be desired to lay before this Convention, on Monday next, an account of the money received from the several counties and corporations in this colony, for the use of the Delegates sent to represent this colony in General Congress.

Adjourned till Monday ten o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 27, 1775.

The committee appointed to prepare a plan for the encouragement of arts and manufactures, reported the following resolutions, which being severally read, were unanimously agreed to:

Whereas it hath been judged necessary, for the preservation of the just rights and liberties of America, firmly to associate against importations; and as the freedom, happiness, and prosperity of a state, greatly depend on providing within itself a supply of articles necessary for subsistence, cloathing, and defence; and whereas it is judged essential, at this critical juncture, to form a proper plan for employing the different inhabitants of this colony, providing for the poor, and restraining vagrants and other disorderly persons who are nuisances to every society, a regard for our country, as well as common prudence, call upon us to encourage agriculture, manufactures, economy, and the utmost industry; therefore this Convention doth resolve as follows:

Resolved unanimously, that it be earnestly recommended to the different Magistrates, Vestries, and Churchwardens, throughout this colony, that they pay a proper attention, and strict regard, to the several acts of Assembly made for the restraint of vagrants, and the better employing and maintaining the poor.

Resolved unanimously, that from and after the first day of May next, no person or persons whatever ought to use, in his or their families, unless in case of necessity, and on no account sell to butchers, or kill for market, any sheep under four years old; and where there is a necessity for using any mutton in his, her, or their families, it is recommended to kill such only as are least profitable to be kept.

Resolved unanimously, that the setting up and promoting woollen, cotton, and linen manufactures, ought to be encouraged in as many different branches as possible, especially coating, flannel, blankets, rugs, or coverlids, hosiery, and coarse cloths, both broad and narrow.

Resolved unanimously, that all persons, having proper lands for the purpose, ought to cultivate and raise a quantity of flax, hemp and cotton, sufficient not only for the use of his or her own family, but also to spare to others on moderate terms.

Resolved unanimously, as salt is a daily and indispensable necessary of life, and the making of it amongst ourselves must be deemed a valuable acquisition, it is therefore recommended that the utmost endeavours be used to establish salt works, and that proper encouragement be given to Mr. James Tait, who hath made proposals, and offered a scheme to the public, for so desirable a purpose.

Resolved unanimously, that saltpetre and sulphur, being articles of great and necessary use, the making, collecting, and refining them to the utmost extent, be recommended, the Convention being of opinion that it may be done to great advantage.

Resolved unanimously, that the making of gunpowder be recommended.

Resolved unanimously, that the manufacturing of iron into nails and wire, and other necessary articles, be recommended.

Resolved unanimously, that the making of steel ought to be largely encouraged, as there will be a great demand for this article.

Resolved unanimously, that the making of different kinds of paper ought to be encouraged; and as the success of this branch depends on a supply of old linen and woollen rags, the inhabitants of this colony are desired, in their respective families, to preserve these articles.

Reſolved unanimouſly, that whereas wool combs, cotton and wool cards, hemp and flax heckles, have been for ſome time made to advantage in ſome of the neighbouring colonies, and are neceſſary for carrying on linen and woollen manufactures, the eſtabliſhing ſuch manufactures be recommended.

Reſolved unanimouſly, that the erecting fulling mills, and mills for breaking, ſwingling and ſoftening hemp and flax, and alſo that the making grindſtones be recommended.

Reſolved unanimouſly, that the brewing malt liquors in this colony would tend to render the conſumption of foreign liquors leſs neceſſary, it is therefore recommended that proper attention be given to the cultivation of hops and barley.

Reſolved unanimouſly, that it be recommended to all the inhabitants of this colony that they uſe, as the Convention engageth to do, our own manufactures, and thoſe of other colonies, in preference to all others.

Reſolved unanimouſly, that for the more ſpeedily and effectually carrying theſe reſolutions into execution, it be earneſtly recommended that ſocieties be formed in different parts of this colony; and it is the opinion of this Convention that proper premiums ought to be offered in the ſeveral counties and corporations, to ſuch perſons as ſhall excel in the ſeveral branches of manufactories, and it is recommended to the ſeveral committees of the different counties and corporations to promote and encourage the ſame to the utmoſt of their power.

The members of the Convention then, in order to encourage Mr. James Tait, who is about to erect ſalt works, undertook, for their reſpective counties, to pay the ſum of ten pounds to Robert Carter Nicholas, Eſq; for the uſe of the ſaid James Tait, on or before the tenth day of May next.

His Excellency the Governor having, by proclamation bearing date the 21ſt day of March, in the preſent year, declared that his Majeſty hath given orders, that all vacant lands within this colony ſhall be put up in lots at public ſale, and that the higheſt bidder for ſuch lots ſhall be the purchaſer thereof, and ſhall hold the ſame ſubject to a reſervation of one halfpenny ſterling per acre, by way of annual quitrent, and of all mines of gold, ſilver, and precious ſtones, which terms are an innovation on the eſtabliſhed uſage of granting lands within this colony:

Reſolved, that a committee be appointed to inquire whether his Majeſty may, of right, advance the terms of granting lands in this colony, and make report thereof to the next General Aſſembly, or Convention; and that, in the meantime, it be recommended to all perſons whatever to forbear purchaſing or accepting grants of lands on the conditions before-mentioned; and that Patrick Henry, Richard Bland, Thomas Jefferſon, Robert Carter Nicholas, and Edmund Pendleton, Eſquires, be appointed of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, that the Delegates from the ſeveral counties in this colony, as alſo from the city of Williamſburg and borough of Norfolk, do, without delay, apply to their reſpective counties and corporations for fifteen pounds current money, and tranſmit the ſame, ſo ſoon as collected, to Robert Carter Nicholas, Eſq; for the uſe of the Deputies ſent from this colony to the General Congreſs.

On a motion made,

Reſolved, that Thomas Jefferſon, Eſq; be appointed a Deputy to repreſent this colony in General Congreſs, in the room of the Hon. Peyton Randolph, Eſq; in caſe of the non-attendance of the ſaid Peyton Randolph, Eſquire.

Reſolved, that the ſaid Deputies, or any four of them, be a ſufficient number to repreſent this colony in General Congreſs.

Reſolved, that the thanks of this Convention be preſented to the Rev. Mr. Selden, for performing Divine Service, and for his ſeaſonable and excellent ſermon yeſterday.

Reſolved, that the thanks of this Convention are juſtly due to the town of Richmond, and the neighbourhood, for their polite reception and entertainment of the Delegates.

Mr. Alexander Purdie having offered to print the proceedings of this Convention, for the uſe of the members thereof, it is ordered that the Clerk deliver him a copy of the ſaid proceedings for that purpoſe.

Reſolved, that this Convention doth conſider the delegation of its members as now at an end; and that it be recommended to the people of this colony to chooſe Delegates to repreſent them in Convention for one year, as ſoon as they conveniently can.

PEYTON RANDOLPH, Preſident.

A Copy. JOHN TAZEWELL, Clerk of the Convention.

Laſt Tueſday his Excellency the Governor iſſued the following

PROCLAMATION:

"Whereas certain perſons, ſtiling themſelves Delegates of ſeveral of his Majeſty's colonies in America, having preſumed, without his Majeſty's authority or conſent, to aſſemble together at Philadelphia in the months of September and October laſt, have thought fit, among other unwarrantable proceedings, to reſolve that it will be neceſſary that another Congreſs ſhould be held at the ſame place on the 10th of May next, unleſs redreſs of certain pretended Grievances be obtained before that time, and to recommend that all the colonies in North America ſhould chooſe deputies to attend ſuch Congreſs, *I am commanded by the King*, and I do accordingly iſſue this my proclamation, to require all Magiſtrates and other officers to uſe their utmoſt endeavours to prevent any ſuch appointments of deputies, and to exhort all perſons whatever within this government to deſiſt from ſuch an unjuſtifiable proceeding, ſo highly diſpleaſing to his Majeſty."

Captain Leighton, from Virginia, is arrived at Salem, with 1000 buſhels of Indian corn, and 90 buſhels of wheat, for the poor of Boſton.

We have the pleaſure to inform our readers that the New Yorkers have not entirely deſerted our cauſe (as has been aſſerted) the Aſſembly of that province having paſſed ſeveral reſolves declaring the many grievances we labour under from the late meaſures of Britiſh Adminiſtration. We would have inſerted their reſolves this week, but want of room obliges us to omit them till our next.

A Letter from New York informs us that two of the principal merchants of that city (it was thought) would be ſent to England, on account of their having violated the Continental Aſſociation, by ſecretly taking goods from on board the ſhip Beulah, lately returned from that port with her cargo, agreeable to the tenth article of the ſaid aſſociation.

Arrivals from Virginia. The Neptune, Punderſon; Mary and Jane, Chapman; Gale, Jefferies; Vigilant, Williamſon; Patient Succeſs, Thomas; and Unity, Bacon; at Graveſend. Cæſar, Wood, at Briſtol. New London, Robertſon; and Hamilton, Oliver; in the Downs. Greenwood, Read, at Liverpool. Kingſton Packet, Turner, at Falmouth. Jenny, Welſh, at Whitehaven. ———, Holmes, at Waterford. Black Prince, Patterſon, at Dover. Sparling, Prieſtman, at Liverpool. Suſannah, Dobbie, at Dover. Brig Becky, Harper, at Liſbon.

On Friday the 24th ult. the courthouſe of New Kent county caught fire, and was entirely conſumed, without the loſs of any valuable papers.

Laſt Saturday died at William and Mary College, in the fifteenth year of his age, THOMAS HEATH, ſon of Mr. John Heath of Northumberland: This youth was poſſeſſed of all thoſe amiable qualities which could conciliate the friendſhip and eſteem of his equals, and attract the kindneſs and regard of his ſuperiors. But, alas! juſt as the many virtues which were implanted in his breaſt began to beam forth—juſt as his native genius, which he was aſſiduous in cultivating, began to diſplay itſelf, and excite in a parent's fond boſom the pleaſing proſpects of having a ſon who would prove an honour and comfort to his declining years, and an ornament to ſociety, he is cut off by a ſudden and untimely death.

Sic roſa, mane viget, vernoque colore renidet,
Deciduas, ponit, pendula nocte, comas.

Laſt Monday died in Hanover, Mrs. HOWARD, relict of the late Mr. Benjamin Howard of Buckingham.

NEW YORK, *March* 16.

CAPTAIN Thomas Cunningham, of the ſchooner Hope, lately from Cape Nichola Mole, informs, that being in diſtreſs, having loſt his main and both topmaſts, his boat, one man, and every thing off the deck, on the 13th of December laſt, he put into that place, when there were then lying above 70 ſail of Engliſh veſſels from the different Britiſh colonies, none of which would give him the leaſt aſſiſtance, becauſe he belonged to New York, which they all conſidered as having deſerted the public cauſe, in not adopting the meaſures recommended by the Congreſs. That in this diſtreſs he lay 14 days without a boat or any aſſiſtance, till two Captains of veſſels belonging to New London, from perſonal acquaintance, generouſly gave him the neceſſary relief, but often expreſſed the higheſt reſentment againſt New York, for deſerting the other colonies in the common cauſe. Capt. Cunningham further ſays, that though there were many boats to be ſold among the veſſels, he could by no means procure one of them, though in the greateſt want; and ſeveral veſſels which were intended for New York, through reſentment, had altered their voyage.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Next Week will be publiſhed, in a Pamphlet, neatly printed, on a new Type, and good Paper, by DIXON & HUNTER, *the proceedings of the* CONVENTION *held at* RICHMOND, *in the County of* HENRICO, *on the 20th of* MARCH, 1775.

☞ As it is undoubtedly neceſſary that all Friends to AMERICAN FREEDOM in this Colony ſhould be furniſhed with a Copy, the Printers will not publiſh it with a View to acquire a Profit by the Work, but intend to ſell it at a Price that will only defray the Expenſe of printing.

BALTIMORE, *March* 5, 1775.

PROPOSALS

For PRINTING by SUBSCRIPTION, in four Pages Folio,

AN OPEN AND UNBIASSED

NEWS-PAPER,

WITH THIS PREFIXED TITLE:

THE MARYLAND GAZETTE,

AND THE

BALTIMORE ADVERTISER.

The following is the QUINTESSENCE, *viz.*

I. THAT this paper ſhall be printed with a new and well-founded type, and a paper in ſize and quality equal to the *Pennſylvania Gazette*.

II. THAT it ſhall be publiſhed every *Wedneſday* morning, and with early care, and the utmoſt fidelity, be delivered on that morning to the ſubſcribers in the city and liberties, and to the diſtant places on the continent by the earlieſt and moſt expeditious conveyance of land and water, poſt, or carriage.

III. THAT the firſt *number* ſhall be publiſhed when I find upon the roll one thouſand ſubſcribers, which is the ſmalleſt number that can poſſibly ſupport this undertaking.

IV. THAT every ſubſcriber, on the delivery of the firſt number, will pay 5s. and at their tranſcription of fifty two numbers 5s. and for every year after 10s. per year.

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WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 1, 1775.

LADIES who are inclined to learn the GUITTAR may be inſtructed on that Inſtrument by a Lady lately arrived.—Inquire of the Printers hereof.

ON my Way from RICHMOND Town, through *Goochland*, to *Cheſterfield* County, dropped out of my Pocket, ſome Bonds, Notes of Hand, Receipts, and other Papers: I forewarn all Perſons from taking Aſſignments on any Bonds or Notes of Hand due or aſſigned to me, or in any Way of Payment whatever. Whoever delivers the above-mentioned Papers to me ſhall have 20s. Reward.

1‖ PHILIP MACRAE.

The noted Horſe RANTAR,

NOW IN HIGH PERFECTION,

STANDS this Seaſon at the *Falls* Plantation, in *Cheſterfield*, and will cover Mares at 12s. 6d. the Leap, or 40s. the Seaſon. Thoſe by the Seaſon will have the Advantage of remarkable fine Paſturage gratis till the 15th of *Auguſt*, when they muſt be taken away, and the Money paid. Mares remaining longer are to be paid for in Proportion as Horſes taken in to graze. For Mares by the ſingle Leap, the Money muſt come with them, or Notes of Hand payable in three Months. I will not be anſwerable for any Eſcapes. WILLIAM BLACK.

To be rented, and entered on immediately,

THE

TAVERN at *Leeds* Town,

Now in the Poſſeſſion of the Subſcriber.

M. ROBINSON.

TO BE SOLD

At public Vendue, by the Subſcriber, on MONDAY *the 10th Inſtant* (APRIL) *at my* VENDUE HOUSE, *in* NORFOLK, *for ready Money,*

A BOX OF GOODS

Marked EK, No. 6, with a Crow's-foot between the Letters, conſiſting of IRISH LINENS, IVORY and HORN COMBS, WOMEN's GLOVES, BROWN PAPER, YARN HOSE, and WOMEN's STAYS, which has been ſome Time in Diſpute between Meſſ. *Stevenſon* & *Laird* of *Port Glaſgow*, Capt. *John Robertſon*, Commander of the Ship *Thomas*, of *Glaſgow*, and *Edward Kerr* of *Accomack* County, *Virginia*.

(2) GEORGE KELLY, V. M.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 1, 1775.

I INTEND to leave the Colony ſoon.

ARCHIBALD WILLIAMSON.

☞ ALL Perſons indebted to Mr. *Alexander Telfair*, Merchant in *Glaſgow*, are earneſtly requeſted to make ſpeedy Payment to *Benjamin Waller*, Eſq; of this City, who is fully empowered to grant ſufficient Diſcharges.

NANSEMOND COUNTY, *March* 24, 1775.

HOWEVER diſagreeable and unhappy it is to hold up for public cenſure the conduct of any man, yet, when we conſider the preſent unfortunate diſputes between the mother country and her colonies would probably, in the reſult, be the ruin of both, if ſome timely, judicious, and wiſe methods, were not contrived to effect a Reconciliation, and adjuſt the lamentable differences, we cannot but think that all thoſe who endeavour to fruſtrate, and labour to counteract ſuch laudable ends, are enemies to America, no friends to the excellent conſtitution of England, and ſtrictly merit the cenſure and diſeſteem of all lovers of their country, freedom, and juſt rights: We therefore, the committee for the county of Nanſemond aforeſaid, in obedience to the 11th article in the aſſociation, as well as for the above-mentioned reaſons, think it our duty to publiſh the behaviour (reſpecting the aſſociation, &c.) of the Rev. John Agnew, rector of Suffolk pariſh, in this county, as it appeared from the teſtimony of William Cowper and Solomon Shepherd, Eſquires, Meſſ. James Murdaugh, Willis Hardgraves, Thomas Minton, Jonathan Smith, and Major Thomas Godwin, taken before us this this 6th day of March, at Suffolk.

Mr. Agnew being firſt ſummoned to attend, but refuſed; Mr. Shepherd declared, that upon his remonſtrating to the ſaid Agnew how diſagreeable it was to his audience in general, and to himſelf in particular, to hear the aſſociation, and thoſe who had come into it, abuſed from the pulpit in the ſermons he there preached, deſired that he would in future deſiſt therefrom: His anſwer was, "If you do not like ſuch ſermons, you can only leave your ſeat;" and to the ſame Gentleman ſaid, that the Delegates of the Provincial Congreſs had rebelled in all their reſolves. In preſence of Major Thomas Godwin and Capt. William Cowper, he aſſerted, as his opinion, that it was no hardſhip to be carried beyond ſea for trial of crimes committed here. Mr. Hardgraves has frequently heard him (when ſpeaking of the Congreſs) declare that all ſuch combinations and aſſociations were deteſtable. Mr. Minton ſays, that after condemning the preſent aſſociation, he produced one of his own, and in his preſence offered it for ſigning. In a converſation his *Reverence* had with Mr. Smith, he affirmed, our Gentlemen (meaning, as Smith took it, the Gentlemen of the General Congreſs) knew not what they were about; that to reſiſt the King and Parliament was rebellion, and that the proceedings of the General Congreſs were reſiſting the King and Parliament; that the deſigns of the great men were to ruin the poor people; and that, after a while, they would forſake them, and lay the whole blame on their ſhoulders, and by this means make them ſlaves. Upon Smith's doubting how all this extraordinary villainy could be brought about, "Why (ſays the parſon) they have already begun; for the committee of Suffolk has invaded private property; they have taken goods from a man of Carolina, and ſold them againſt his will." He likewiſe informed Mr. Smith there was an aſſociation of the other party up the country, and the people ſigning it very faſt; that they had diſcovered their error in ſigning the preſent one, and that he would ſee this fact publiſhed in the Norfolk paper ſhortly.

We have now related the ſubſtance of what the above-named Gentlemen declared upon their oaths, and here we could wiſh to end this narrative; but we have too much regard for our own characters to ſuffer them to be injured by ſo bare-faced a ſlander as appears in Smith's teſtimony, reſpecting the Carolina Gentleman and his goods. The truth of that tranſaction is preciſely this:---- Mr. Samuel Donaldſon, merchant, and one of the committee for this county, informed ſome of the members that his friend, Mr. John Thompſon, merchant of North Carolina, had imported ſome goods into this colony, which come under the 10th article of the aſſociation, and deſired that a committee might be held to determine what ſhould be done with them; and Mr. Donaldſon (that Mr. Thompſon might ſuffer as little inconvenience as poſſible from the detention of the goods) advertiſed them to be ſold on the ſame day that the committee was to ſit. At the time appointed we met, when Mr. Thompſon was preſent; and, on examining him, and ſome letters he produced, we found that by the importation of theſe goods he had not violated any of the articles of the aſſociation. And although we were not entirely pleaſed with Mr. Donaldſon's advertiſing the ſale of the goods before he had orders from us ſo to do, yet we ordered them to be ſold under the care and direction of three Gentlemen of the committee. Mr. Thompſon bought the goods, expreſſed himſelf highly ſatisfied, and inſiſted on our partaking of a cheerful bowl with him.

Upon the whole, the public will plainly diſcover the principles this Rev. Gentleman entertains, and in what light he views the general reſolutions, adopted and entered into for our relief from the oppreſſive hand of power. Had this zealous advocate for deſpotic rule been as aſſiduous in the diſcharge of the ſeveral duties of his function, as he has been induſtrious in propagating falſe and erroneous principles, not only in private diſcourſe, but in blending deteſtable tenets in his angry orations from the pulpit, in order to gain a party in oppoſition to the common cauſe, and thereby lending his little aid to ſeduce the very people that gave him bread to a ſtate of wretchedneſs, this committee had not been at the trouble to examine the 11th article of the aſſociation, and opening his conduct to the cenſure of the world.

(2) JOHN GREGORIE, C. C.

THE BEAUTIFUL HIGH BLED CHESNUT HORSE

DAMON

WILL ſtand at my Plantation in *Glouceſter* County, the enſuing Seaſon, and cover Mares at 20s. a Leap, or 4l. the Seaſon. He was got by FEARNOUGHT, out of a full bred Mare, and is 5 Feet 5 Inches high. The Mares will meet with good Paſturage gratis, but I will not be anſwerable for any that are loſt. The Money to be paid before the Mares are taken away, or Corn at 10s. per Barrel. MANN PAGE.

JOHN LAMB,

HOUSE CARPENTER AND JOINER,

BEGS Leave to inform the Public that he carries on the ſaid Buſineſs on his own Account, and that it ſhall be his conſtant Study in proſecuting the different Branches of the ſame to give Satisfaction to all who may pleaſe to employ him.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 1, 1775.

TO BE SOLD

To the higheſt Bidder, on THURSDAY *the 20th Inſtant* (APRIL) *being Court Day,*

A DEBT due from Mr. *Liſton Temple* of *King William* County to Col. *Bernard Moore*, the Principal whereof amounts to 150l. which was contracted by Mr. *Temple* in *Auguſt* 1764, and although the Principal was not payable till *Auguſt* 1784, yet the Intereſt thereon is annually due and demandable. The Payment of this Money at the aforeſaid limited Time is ſecured by a Deed of Mortgage indiſputably good.

ALSO will be SOLD, at *Fredrickſburg* MAY Fair, the Reverſion of ſundry valuable SLAVES, now in the Poſſeſſion of Mrs. *Anne Danzie*, who has her Life in them, among whom is a valuable Houſe Wench, and five Fellows. The Reverſion of theſe ſlaves was legally veſted in Col. *Moore*, who has executed a Conveyance of the ſame to Mr. *Loſtin Newman*, as a Security of a Debt due to him. The Purchaſer may be aſſured that the Title is indiſputable; though the Subſcriber undertakes only to ſell the Right which is conveyed to, and veſted in, ſaid *Newman*, under the ſaid Conveyance. ‖ THOMAS ROSE.

POETS CORNER.

LOVE's a DREAM.

LOVE's a dream of mighty pleasure,
Which in fancy we possess;
In the folly lies the pleasure,
Wisdom only makes it less.

When with passion we are heated,
And a goddess have in chace,
Like Ixion we are cheated,
And an empty cloud embrace.

RUN away from the Subscriber, on the South Fork of the *South Branch*, in *Hampshire* County, a Servant Man named JOHN YOUNG, an *Englishman*; he took with him a Linsey Frock, lisps in his Speech, stoops very much when he walks, and his Hair clipped on his Forehead.——Also two NEGRO MEN, one named *JOE*, with a Linsey Frock, and other Clothes usual for a labouring Slave. He ran away before, and was taken up at *Port Royal*, to which Place it is probable he intends again. The other Negro is named *DICK*, with the same Kind of Apparel that *Joe* had, and one of his Feet is much longer than the other. They took with them a Rifle and Ammunition, a large Buck-skin and Elk-skin dressed, and a Tow Sheet and Bag.—— Whoever brings the said Servant to me, or secures him so that I may get him, shall have 40s. Reward, besides what the Law allows; and whoever brings me the said Negroes shall have what the Law allows. (‖) JACOB BRAKE.

☞ I forewarn all Persons from harbouring them, and Masters of Vessels from carrying them off the Continent.

MARCH 13, 1775.

RUN away last *October*, a middle sized Negro Wench named HANNAH, she pokes her Neck out very much, is long thin visaged, and wants an upper fore Tooth, had on a Check Petticoat, one brown Linen Ditto, and a blue Stuff Jump Jacket. She may probably be lurking about *Occoquan* Works, or at Mr. *William Bailey*'s Quarter in *Loudoun*, as she had a Husband at each. Whoever brings her home shall receive 3l. Reward if taken in the Colony, if in any other Colony, 10l.

GOWRY WAUGH.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from the Subscriber, near the upper Church, in *Middlesex*, last *Saturday* Night, a Convict Servant Lad about 21 or 22 Years old, a Native of *London*, a jobbing Blacksmith by Trade. He is small made, about 5 Feet 1 Inch high, has straight Hair, not long enough to tie behind, no Beard, and a remarkable masculine Voice for a Person of his Size. He has been in the Country four Years last *September*, and was sold by Mr. *Hodge* to one *Strother*, by *Strother* to *Roger Bell*, by said *Bell* to *Reuben Daniel* of *Orange* County, and by him to me. He served his Time to a Screw-maker, but I have learned him to do all Kinds of jobbing Smiths Work exceeding well. He pretends to understand Brass and Silver Work, but is no great Artist at it, and can neither read nor write. He had on, and took with him, a *Virginia* Cotton Kersey wove Coat, *Russia* Drill Breeches, a Pair of old *English* Buckskin Ditto, a Wilton Jacket mixed with Red, a blue Jump Jacket without Sleeves, and very coarse, a Pair of white Cotton Stockings, a Pair of pale blue *Virginia* Yarn Ditto, one Pair of Sale Do. mixed with Red, a Pair of old Shoes, a Pair of turned Pumps, and I think he had a Pair of Silver Buckles, a Stone set Brooch, a fine Holland Shirt, an Osnabrug Shirt, a Muslin Neck-cloth, and a small fine Hat, almost new. I will give five Pounds if taken in the Colony, and secured in any Gaol; or, if taken out of the Colony, and brought Home, the above Reward. I forewarn all Persons from harbouring or employing him; and all Masters of Vessels are cautioned, at their Peril, from carrying him out of the Country, or harbouring him.

SAMUEL DANIEL.

N. B. As I had my House robbed the Night before he went away, I suspect him to be the Thief, and to have taken away two new Cotton Shirts.

HAMPTON, *March* 20, 1775.

STRAYED from the Post Office, *Williamsburg*, some Time in the early Part of *February*, a small BLACK HORSE, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, much inclinable to pace, rather dull, if any Brand not perceivable, when lost, trimmed behind the Ears and Legs. Whoever secures him so that I get him again, shall have a Reward of 20s. paid by

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TAKEN up, in *Charlotte*, near the Head of *Cubb* Creek, a large BLACK MARE about 5 Feet high, with a small Blaze in her Face, the off fore Foot and both hind Feet white, has Saddle Spots on both Sides of her Back, near her Withers, a Switch Tail and hanging Mane, her Sides rubbed, no Brand perceivable, and has a Blemish in her near Eye. Posted, and appraised to 13l.

RICHARD EDWARDS.

TAKEN up, in *Halifax*, a brindled COW and pied YEARLING, the Cow marked with a Crop in the left, and a Slit in the right Ear, with a white Back and Belly; the Yearling is unmarked. Posted, and appraised to 35s.

ARMISTEAD WATLINGTON.

TAKEN up, in *Henrico*, a large brindled COW, with a white Back, marked with a Crop in the right Ear, and an Under-keel in the left.

JOHN BRYAN.

STRAYED from Mr. *George Webb*'s, in *New Kent*, about a Fortnight ago, a bright BAY HORSE about 13 Hands and a Half high, drags his hind Feet very much, and is a natural Pacer. Whoever brings him to the Subscriber, in *James City* County, shall have 20s. Reward.

DUDLEY RICHARDSON.

COMMITTED to *James City* County Gaol, a Negro Fellow named HARRY, who says he belongs to Col. *Francis Tomkies* of *Gloucester*. His Owner is desired to send for him, and pay Charges to

ROBERT HYLAND, Gaoler.

FEARNOUGHT

STANDS at *Hicks*'s *Ford*, in *Brunswick* County, and will cover Mares at 6l. the Season, payable in *October*, 40s. the single Cover to be paid down, or 3l. if booked. I have exceeding good Pasturage, but will not be liable for any Mares that may get away, or be stolen.

W. EDWARDS.

JUPITER,

THE noted JANUS Colt, bred by Capt. *James Bell* of *Sussex*, is now the Property of the Subscribers, and in great Perfection, being as fat a Horse as any in the Colony. He is of a fine Bay, stout and strong, and allowed, by good Judges, to be equal in Swiftness to most Horses on the Continent; his Colts, for Spirit and Speed, are inferior to none. He will stand the ensuing Season at Mr. *William Richardson*'s, in *Sussex* County, and will cover at 20s. the Season, if paid by the 25th of *December* next, if not, 25s. and will ensure live Colts at 40s. each, the Money to be paid at the Dropping of the Colt. Mr. *Richardson* has good Pastures, and great Care will be taken of all Mares that may be left in his Care, but will not be liable for any that may chance to stray away, or be stolen.

JAMES MASON.
JOHN RIVES.

REGULUS

STANDS at my Plantation in *Chesterfield*, near the *Falls* of *James* River, and will cover Mares at 20s. the Leap, or 3l. the Season. Pasturage gratis, but I will not be liable for any that may be stolen, or get away.

DAVID PATTESON.

ROCKINGHAM,

A FINE bay Colt, 4 Years old this Spring, 15 Hands 3 Inches high, and as well proportioned as any Horse in the Country, will stand within Half a Mile of *Bute* Courthouse, *North Carolina*, to cover Mares at 20s. the Leap, and 4l. the Season, *Virginia* Money. Good Pasturage for the Mares, and Entertainment for Gentlemen's Servants, gratis; great Care shall be taken of the Mares, but I will not be liable for any that may get away.

ROCKINGHAM was got by old PARTNER, upon a fine Mare imported by Col. *Thomas Nelson*.

JOHN WILLIS.

SLOE

WILL begin to cover the 1st of *April*, at my Farm near *York* Town, for 10s. the Leap, or 40s. the Season. There will be a Pasture for the Mares, and great Care taken of them; but will not be answerable for any that may stray. As it will be inconvenient to collect so small a Sum from each Individual, it is expected that the Money will be sent with the Mares, or they will not be received.

THOMAS NELSON, Jun.

WHEREAS I purchased of *Agnes Walsh*, of the Province of *Maryland*, a Lot containing Half an Acre, in the Town of *Staunton*, with a Wood Lot of 50 Acres belonging to the same, for the Consideration of 52l. 10s. current Money of *Virginia*; for the Payment of which Sum I (together with Mr. *Felix Gilbert*) entered into Bond, payable to the said *Agnes* some Time in the Month of *March* next; and whereas, since the said Purchase was made, I have received Notice from a certain *Samuel Gay*, that he has a prior Title to the said Lot and Land, cautioning me against making any Improvement on the said Lot: These are therefore to forewarn all Persons from taking an Assignment on the said Bond, as I am determined not to pay the same until the Matter respecting the Title is cleared up, or until the said *Agnes Walsh* doth enter into Bond, together with good Security, in the penal Sum of one Thousand Pounds for the Security of said Title, as I purpose building a Merchant Mill, and other Houses, near to that Value. From under my Hand, this 27th Day of *February*, 1775.

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TWENTY FIVE

VIRGINIA born SLAVES,

Consisting of Men, Women, Boys, and Girls, to be sold to the highest Bidder, on the 8th of *April*, for ready Money, Tobacco, or Merchants Notes payable to Mr. *Charles Duncan*, at my Plantation in the lower End of *Amelia* County, on *Appamattox* River, known by Name of *Goose Island*.

ROBERT KENNON.

PETERSBURG, *March* 10, 1775.

TAKEN up, in *Nansemond*, a RED COW, with a white Face, some Red round her Eyes, marked with a Crop and Nick under the right, and a Crop and Halfmoon under the left Ear.

JESSE BATTLE.

TAKEN up on *Blackwater*, in *Surry* County, a dark gray COLT about two Years old, 4 Feet high, neither docked nor branded. Posted, and appraised to 3l.

WILLIAM BROWNE, Jun.

AMELIA, *March* 4, 1775.

RUN away, or stolen, the 1st of *December* last, a *Virginia* born slave named SAM, about 5 Feet high, pretty well set, has a remarkable Scar on his Breast, which seems as if occasioned by the Lash of a Whip, his Sides and Back are much scarified by Whipping, had a Wart of an uncommon Size on the Top of his left Shoulder, is very dim sighted, and in the Night Season almost entirely deprived of Sight. He had on, when he went away, a Jacket and Breeches made of Blanketing, a very coarse Rolls Shirt, an old patched Hat, but neither Shoes nor Stockings. This Fellow formerly belonged to one Mr. *Nathaniel Friend* of *Chesterfield*. I have great Reason to imagine he was stolen; I will give 5l. on Conviction of the Thief, and 40s. to any Person who gives me Intelligence of him, so that I may get him again.

RULER RICHARDSON.

NIMROD

STANDS at *Richard Taliaferro*'s, near *Williamsburg*, and covers at 10s. a Leap, 30s. the Season, and 3l. to ensure. He is of a Chesnut Colour, fifteen Hands and a Half high, got by old FEARNOUGHT, out of a PARTNER Mare near whole Blood, and is rising five Years old. Good Pasturage for Mares, but I will not be answerable for Accidents.

RICHARD TALIAFERRO, Junior.

FIFTY very likely SLAVES,

Some of them very valuable Tradesmen, will be sold at the *Richmond* Fair, for ready Money, by

4‖ The SHERIFF of *King William*.

TO BE SOLD,

THREE Thousand Acres of well timbered LAND, near *Newmarket*, in *Caroline* County, whereon are two Plantations in good Repair, with proper and convenient Edifices for farming or making of Tobacco. For Terms apply to the Subscriber.

(tf) JOHN BAYLOR.

The beautiful, high blooded, bay Horse

GODOLPHIN,

In full Perfection, stands this Season at Capt. *Henry Delony*'s, in *Mecklenburg* County, where he will cover Mares for a Guinea the Leap, or 5l. for the Season. Those Gentlemen who send their Mares for a single Cover are desired to send the Money with them; and those that will pay for the Season shall be discharged on Payment of three Pounds by the last Day of *August* next. He will find good Pasturage gratis, but will not be answerable for any Mares that may be stolen, or stray away.

HANOVER Town, *March* 14, 1775.

WANTED, ON CHARTER FOR *Bristol*,

A VESSEL,

BURTHEN about two Hundred and sixty Hogsheads.

(‖) JOHN & RICHARD BURNLEY.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND in *Caroline* County, contiguous to *Mattapony*, containing about 2000 Acres of well timbered Land, the Property of Mr. *Robert Baylor*. The Terms may be known by applying to Mr. *Nathaniel Burwell* of *King William*, Mr. *John Armistead* of *Caroline*, and Mr. *John Baylor*, Executors. (tf)

For SALE, *and very* CHEAP,

THE Tract of LAND whereon I now live, in the lower End of *Caroline* County, that contains 470 Acres, and is known to be very good. The Improvements are, a new Dwelling-House 32 by 28 Feet, with three Dormants on a Side, two Fireplaces below, and one above, a good Cellar, the Kitchen 24 by 16 Feet, with all other Outhouses quite new, and the Plantation in fine Order for Cropping. Its Situation is equal to any Forest Place whatever. I will give Credit till next *Christmas*, when Possession may be had. (tf) LE ROY HIPKINS.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Caroline* County, near Capt. *James Upshaw*'s, on *Tuesday* the 3d Instant (*January*) a very likely Mulatto Fellow named LEMON, about 26 Years old, 5 Feet 10 or 11 Inches high, had on, and carried with him, a light coloured Wilton Coat, a Beaver Coating great Coat, and a Pair of red Plush Breeches, but may change his Clothes, and have many others with him. As he is an artful designing Fellow, and once before attempted his Escape, and got as far as *Hobb's Hole*, I suppose he will try to pass for a Freeman, having endeavoured to procure an Indenture. I forewarn all Masters of Vessels, *&c.* from carrying him out of the Colony. Whoever brings the said Fellow to me shall receive 3l. Reward, besides what the Law allows, and if taken out of the Colony, 10l. 10 JOHN MARTIN.

TO BE SOLD, *or* RENTED,

(Preference will be given to the first)

A PLANTATION on *Allen's* Creek in *Mecklenburg*, within a Mile of *Roanoke*, consisting of about 120 Acres of Land, the Property of Mess. *Alexander Donald* and Co. and whereon the Subscriber now lives. The Land of itself is valuable, exclusive of the Improvements, which are a good Dwelling-House, with other necessary Outhouses, and a large and convenient Storehouse, 32 by 44 Feet. There are about 20 Acres of the low Ground well set in Timothy and Clover, and notwithstanding this dry Summer, 15 Acres of it have yielded above 30,000 Weight of Hay, which [illegible] about 300 Bushels of Oats in the Straw, some *Indian* Corn, [illegible] of Cattle, 30 Head of Sheep, and some Hogs, will [illegible] reasonable Terms. The Purchaser may have Possession [illegible] Premises as soon as he pleases, and long Credit (if required) will be allowed for the Land, on his giving Bond and Security. It is expected the Store will be continued, and of Course the Purc[illegible] will have the Benefit of the Board of the Storekeepers, and [illegible] the Situation of the Place (being on [illegible] Ferry Ro[illegible] kes it well calculated for a Tavern.

(tf) EBENEZER MACHARG.

PRINCE GEORGE, *November* 10, 1774.

RUN away from the Subscriber, a Mulatto Boy named SAM, about 16 or 17 Years old, of a very light Complexion, and will endeavour to pass for a free Boy, has gray Eyes, brown Hair, a smooth artful Tongue, is a great Villain, but a very good Barber. In the Month of *June* last he was put in *York* Jail, on Suspicion of having stolen some Money in *Williamsburg*. He made his Escape from thence and got to *Norfolk*, where he was put in Jail and sent to me by Water. The next Day (*September* 20th) he made his Escape from my Overseer, and has not since been heard of. He was born in *Frederick* Town, *Maryland*, has lived in *Fredericksburg*, *Norfolk*, and *York* Town, and is well acquainted with most Parts of *Virginia*. He was very meanly clad, having been so long in Jail, but it is probable will procure Clothes. I will give 40s. Reward to have him committed to any of his Majesty's Jails, if taken in the Colony of *Virginia*, and if out of the Colony 5l. All Captains of Ships, or Masters of Vessels, are hereby forewarned from carrying him out of the Country, or employing him.

(tf) JOHN BLAND.